

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY
OFFICE OF FISCAL AND MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS**

301 State House
(317) 232-9855

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6368

BILL NUMBER: SB 47

DATE PREPARED: Nov 18, 1998

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Community corrections programs.

FISCAL ANALYST: Mark Bucherl

PHONE NUMBER: 232-9869

**FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL**

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: This bill provides that the law concerning direct placement in community corrections programs applies to the sentencing of a person convicted of a misdemeanor whenever any part of the person's sentence may not be suspended.

Effective Date: July 1, 1999.

Explanation of State Expenditures: Community corrections programs entail a variety of services operated among 60 counties that receive funding from the state General Fund appropriation for community corrections grants (\$12.6 M in FY 99).

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: This bill would apply to persons convicted of nonsuspendible misdemeanor offenses who could otherwise not be directly placed in a community corrections program. Currently, there is only one nonsuspendible misdemeanor in statute: the Class A misdemeanor of operating a motor vehicle with a suspended or revoked driving license. Information is unavailable on the number of these offenses which occur in Indiana. There were about 4,600 Class A misdemeanor cases out of a total of 14,600 community corrections cases, statewide, as of June 30, 1998.

Community corrections programs currently include court-ordered work release/residential confinement, home detention and electronic monitoring, restitution programming and victim offender mediation. These services are also supported by user fees (ranging on average from less than one dollar (mediation) to \$13.80 a day (electronic monitoring)). Counties participating in community corrections programs pay certain overhead costs (often office space and materials) for these programs.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: Entities operating county community corrections programs.

Information Sources: Mike Brown, Department of Correction.